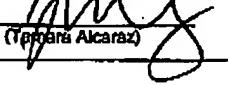


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Dear Sir:

Filed herewith is a copy of the continuation application in German (PCT/EP02/02595; 26 pages) which claims priority to PCT/EP02/02595 filed March 8, 2002, which claims priority to German patent application no. 101 12 851.7 filed March 16, 2001, both of which are incorporated by reference in their entirety. Also enclosed is an English translation of the continuation application (27 pages) with a new claim for the continuation application attached thereto.

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On page 1, under the title, please insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

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